## 1975 HOOSIER HISTORICAL CALENDAR



#### LAKE COUNTY COURT HOUSE Crown Point, Indiana 1878-

This historic calendar is published annually by the Hoosier State Bank of Indiana in an effort to preserve the past for you. Through knowledge of past events, buildings, and people we are able to maintain history and possibly benefit by this knowledge in our future undertakings.

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The above structure is now vacant due to the relocation of county business to a new complex north of Crown Point. This building is part of our Hoosier heritage and should be conserved for existing and future generations of Lake County. We urge all citizens to join hands in the effort to preserve this structure.

The Hoosier State Bank requests information, pictures, and ideas to continue in their endeavor of presenting the history of Lake County, Indiana to you.

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EDWARD C. MINAS Estab. 1890

In 1896, Edward C. Minas moved the store bearing his name to the present location on State Street in downtown Hammond.

Behind the counter, in the above old photo, is Edward C. Minas. His customer is Charles Keefer. Mrs. E. C. (Maude E.) Minas is watching the transaction, along with Gus Ollerking, a tin-

smith and Emil Minas (brother) is on the ladder.

The Minas store featured a smokeless base burner, guns of all sorts and ammunition, plus hardware.

The company has retained the State Street store, remodeled, meanwhile expanding to the River Oaks Shopping Center in 1966, and to the South Lake Mall, Merrillville, Indiana in 1974.

The Minas family still owns and operates the Edward C. Minas Company.

JANUARY 1975								
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#### THE FOURTH GRADERS 1917

An April 1917 picture of the fourth grade class at Wallace School (now demolished) located at the corner of Conkey and Jefferson Streets in Hammond, Indiana.

Annah Emery taught from September 1910 to 1947. Blanche Nixon served as principal for the Hammond School system from September 1906 to June 1940.

Representative of the many different nationalities in this class were the names — Dillner, Earnhart, Eldridge, Erin, Fowler, Hemmingway, Hudak, Krupa, Kurchanas, Lollock, Miller, Milliken, Mosko, Mundo, Sakel, Swenko, VanWilligan, Waller, Wells, Whitesel and Wilhelm.

FEBRUARY 1975								
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	WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY					1		
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#### THE FOUR CORNERS 1910

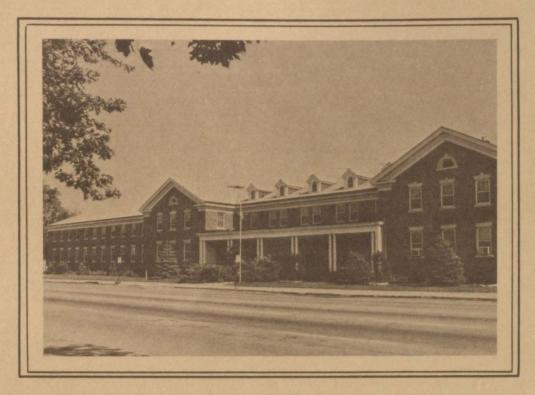
Looking west on State Street (formerly Ives Street) at the corner of State and Hohman Avenue. Left is the Hohman block. On the corner is Mr. Morris Champagne's saloon. At the west edge of the structure is the entrance to the Hohman Opera House. Upstairs, on the second floor, management presented many fine road operas and shows. The Weis' Drug Store occupied the next building. Fred Sommer's Tavern and Restaurant is on the right.

The four corners was the hub of the city and Hammond's most prominent families were residents of this area. The north side of State Street was widened eighteen feet in the early twenties. The car tracks are those of the Chicago Streetcar Line. The Indiana Hotel, built in 1922, replaced many of the stores on the right.

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	MARCH 1975								
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16	ST. PATRICK'S	18	19	20 FIRST DAY OF SPRING	21	22			
23/30 EASTER SUNDAY	24/31	25	26	27 PASSOVER	28 GOOD FRIDAY	29			

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### THE LYNDORA HOTEL Estab. 1917

The Lyndora Hotel and the housing complex, located east of Columbia Avenue between Field and May Streets, was built in 1917 by the Standard Steel Car Company. The company found this type of housing was necessary to recruit management during World War I as housing facilities in Hammond and nearby cities were taxed to the limit by other local industry.

The Lyndora Hotel — named after the daughter of the president of Standard Steel Car Co., Mr. John Hansen — was situated facing scenic Maywood Park. The Lyndora had a convenient street car line at the front door and a spacious dining room which served excellent food at reasonable prices. There was a pleasing lobby and the music and entertainment provided a most enjoyable atmosphere which drew many talented and outstanding people as guests.

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For many years in the 20's, 30's, and 40's the hotel was managed by Arthur C. Wennen. Later after World War II, the manager was Joseph Thom. In recent years the hotel was sold and is now

known as St. Ann's Home for the Aged.

CHARAN	MONDAY		APRIL 19		FRIDAY	CATURDAY
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#### HAMMOND STREET CARS 1892

The first street car company formed in 1892 was capitalized at \$100,000.00. The line operated from Gostlin Street south on Hohman to Oak Hill Cemetery, East on Gostlin Street to the Penn Railroad Station (Baltimore Street) and from Hohman east on State Street to Tapper Avenue.

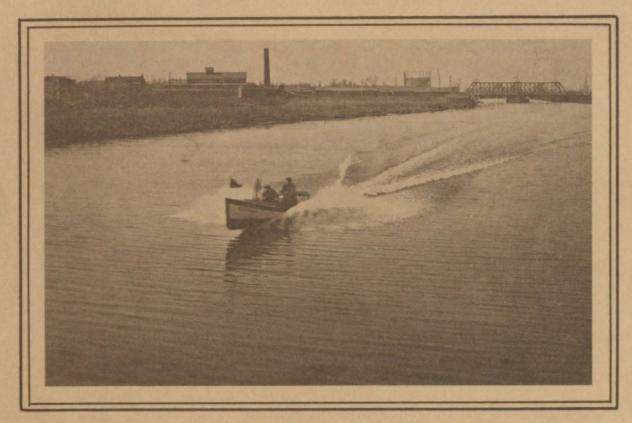
In two years the line was sold in bankruptcy because of a lack of riders. In 1897, under new management, tracks were extended to include East Chicago, Whiting and Roby, thereby connecting with the Chicago Street Car System at State Line.

Picture School and the carefulator Cloud Smith.

as Peter Schroeder, the conductor, Cloyd Smith.

			MAY 197	75		
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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4	5	6	7	8 V-E DAY	9	10
MOTHER'S DAY	12	13	14	15	16	17 ARMED FORCES DAY
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 MEMORIAL DAY	27	28	29	30	31

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### "THE CALAMIC" 1915

The Grand Calumet River from the Calumet Avenue bridge, looking west. The Potawatami Indians called this wide, clean, sandy bottom river "Calamic". Herbs and rushes grew along the low banks and the river was once filled with famous Japanese Lotus water lilies and a bountiful supply of fish. The Potawatami's beautiful river was destroyed by the pollution of civilization.

On the right is the I.H.B. Railroad cutoff to American Steel Foundry, F. S. Betz Company and

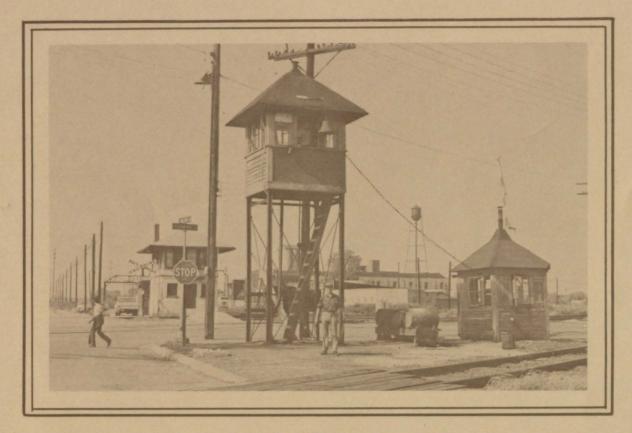
On the right is the I.H.B. Railroad cutoff to American Steel Foundry, F. S. Betz Company and other industries. In the center of the picture is the Beckman Supply Company (William Beckman), with the Public Service Company gas tank looming high over the Hammond Lumber Company.

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Not shown in the picture, to the right, was a wide slip from the river which had a boat dock for the socially active Hammond Motor Boat Club.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	JUNE 197	75 THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 FLAG DAY
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 FIRST DAY OF SUMMER
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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#### THE RAILROAD CROSSING WATCHMAN

Through the searing heat of summer and the freezing, cold, wet days of winter, twenty-four hours a day, the crossing watchman braves the elements to warn of approaching danger. The small wooden watchhouse affords meager comforts to the crossing guard. Heated only by an oil stove, there is barely enough space for the lanterns, flags, fuses, shovels, and salt . . . all necessary tools of the crossing guard. Most of the windowed watchhouses are ground level, but some perch high on stilts for a better view of approaching trains. The bell is always in evidence with its familiar bong, bong, bong to warn of an approaching train. Automatic gates now replace many of these picturesque "shanties" and watchmen.

Michael Pens is the watchman standing and Charlie Fortune is in the watchhouse.

			JULY 197	5		
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 MOON LANDING	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

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ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL Hammond, Indiana 1886-

The incorporated City of Hammond was just two years old when St. Paul's Lutheran Church opened its doors. It is the oldest, continuing parochial school in the Calumet Region.

Two smaller buildings preceded the four room brick building built in 1896 at Oakley and Sibley Streets at a cost of \$13,000.00. The building was sold to a Hammond labor organization, later demolished and a new building costing \$150,000.00 was built at the corner of Eaton and Erie Streets.

Dedicated September 18, 1921, the corner stone of the building quotes the scriptures from

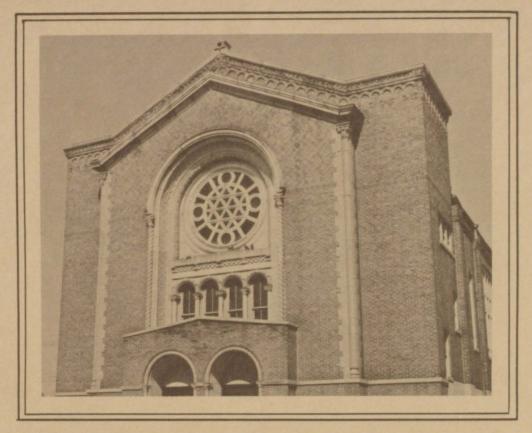
John 21:15 "Feed Our Lambs"

Mr. W. H. Beckmann taught in this school for thirty-seven years, serving as principal for 27 of those years.

The school has an annual average of two hundred students.

AUGUST 1975								
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY		
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#### KNESETH ISRAEL Founded 1871

Two years after the founding of the G. H. Hammond Packing Company, the Jewish community started worship in private homes in the City of Hammond, 1871.

In 1894, Rabbi Hirsch Berkman organized formal worship in a building at 101 Indiana Street, until 1902 when the Orthodox congregation of Kneseth Israel was formed by Sam Abelman, leader.

Worship continued in Weis Hall and in the hall above Kaufman and Wolf's Lion store. A new synagogue at 619 Sibley Street was built under the leadership of Rabbi Julian Rappaport in 1920. A Hebrew School was organized in 1922 to accommodate about fifty children. A community room was later added.

In 1958, a new synagogue and school located at 7105 Hohman Avenue was dedicated. The Sibley building above was sold.

Rabbi Dr. Frank Plotke has served the congregation for twenty-six years.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	SEP'	TEMBER	1975 THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	LABOR DAY	2 V-J DAY	3	4	5	6 JEWISH NEW YEAR
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 YOM KIPPUR	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	FIRST DAY OF AUTUMN	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

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#### A BUSY CORNER 1908

The northeast corner of Sibley and Hohman Avenue, Hammond, Indiana was known as the Tapper Block the site J. C. Penney Company now occupies. The street sign is clearly visible, the tracks of the "Green Line" Street Railway, the brick-paved streets and a newly poured concrete sidewalk with a wooden sidewalk on Sibley Street.

The lean-to building was a shoe repair shop with a shoe shining parlor owned by August Mateja. Standing in the rear are Anton Tapper, George Eder, and an unknown. Next door is the Frank F. Young Tavern, properly known as the Elk with Mr. and Mrs. Young standing in front of their shop. Continuing north, is the German Citizens National Bank, Charles D. Smith, president, organized in 1906. Then the Princess Theatre, the Northern Indiana Gas and Electric and the Knights of Columbus (2nd floor). The tall building is the Majestic Building with offices and hotel accommodations. The lower level was occupied by the Model Clothiers, Moses Rothschild, owner. Next door was Adolph Hirsch and his brother David who ran a ready-to-wear shop. Later, Rothschild and Hirsch merged and the Joseph Hirsch family operates the business today. Note the sign of J. J. Ruff, a popular Hammond citizen, whose hardware store was across the street.

Nicholas Emmerling's undertaking establishment was on Sibley Street, but Mr. and Mrs. Emmerling lived in a two story building on Hohman Avenue. Emmerling had his showroom and stable on Sibley Street. Bayless C. Paddock, his son-in-law, has carried on the business. Some of those occupying the business offices of the hotel were: J. W. Wartman and H. E. Sharrer; real estate and insurance agents, E. F. Johnson and Cassius C. Griffing; Doctors, C. W. Campbell and Wadsworth; and Attorneys George B. Shearer, Charles F. Griffin, and W. G. Friedley.

OCTOBER 1975								
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY		
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5	6	31st ANNIVERSARY OF	8	9	10	11		
12	13 COLUMBUS DAY	14	15	16	17	18		
19	20	21	22	23	24 UNITED NATIONS	25		
26	27 VETERANS DAY	28	29	30	31 HALLOWEEN			

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THE S.E. CORNER OF SIBLEY AND HOHMAN, HAMMOND, INDIANA 1899

The first building (right) facing Hohman Avenue housed a jewelry store once owned and operated by Alva A. Roebuck of Sears and Roebuck fame. Later the First National Bank of Hammond built a three story brick bank building with offices above. This structure was occupied by F. W. Woolworth Company until recent years.

The next and tallest building was razed to make room for the Towle Opera House which was built on this location by Marcus Towle in 1903. Later it was known as the Deluxe Theater, a movie house.

The lower wall advertised a road production "Arizona" to open at the grand opera house, just above was an announcement of the Fitzsimmons-Jeffries fight which was to be reported round-by-round over a special wire to the sports fans. Jeffries kayoed Fitzsimmons in the eleventh round at Coney Island, June 9, 1899.

Coney Island, June 9, 1899.

Anton H. Tapper was the owner of both sides of Sibley Street east to the Nickel Plate tracks. He operated a store on Sibley Street which advertised "cash store, drugs, groceries, dry goods, boots, hats and caps, queens wear and dresses".

Later, Tapper gave his full time to real estate, to the milling of grains and the banking business. The streets were unpaved with rock stepping stone at the intersections. The sidewalks appear to be of wood.

NOVEMBER 1975								
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				THANKSGIVING DAY		HANNUKKAH		

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#### A CENTER OF ACTIVITY 1924

Looking south on Hohman Avenue from the Huehn Building and the Erie Railroad tracks. This watchhouse is controlling the gates of Hammond's busiest railroad crossing, perhaps the busiest crossing of the nation today — the Monon (L. & N.), Erie, Nickel Plate (N. & W.), C. & O., Michigan Central, New York Central and I. H. B. railroads. In the center to the rear, is the Hohman block and Hammond's Flat Iron Building. A street car is waiting for its trip to Sixty-Third Street in Chicago.

The Indiana Hotel Building, on the right, was built in 1922 by two enterprising Greek boys, James G. and Gus P. Bereolos. James had seven sons and Gus had seven daughters. The Bereolos' came to the U.S. before the turn of the century and operated the Maine Restaurant at this location.

Note the Scappi bus which had its station in the hotel.

Eddie Perrins' Recreation Parlor was located in the basement of the Indiana Hotel. Noted for its good food, bowling alley, pool tables, and other recreational facilities, Perrin's was the center of activity for many years.

SUNDAY	DECEMBER 1975 MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATU						
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21	22 FIRST DAY OF WINTER	23	24	25 CHRISTMAS DAY	26	27	
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### THREE YEAR REFERENCE CALENDAR

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